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## NEWS SUMMARY.

**Foreign.**—Chinese Minister to France has gone home.—Garrison in Senegal cut off by London insurgents.—New ship canal in Egypt proposed.—Abyssinian Ambassador arrives in England.— Gladstone asks Liberals to be on hand at opening of Parliament.—New steamer line, Feb. 1, New York to Trieste.—Baron's white-elephant at Liverpool safely. Mr. Lowell accepts presidency of Birmingham and Midland Institute.—Nihilists on the trail of the Czar and the *Kazan*—*Czar* at Queenstown in tow of *Ruthana*, broken shaft and voyage under sail.—Vignaux defeated Schaeffer.—Viceroy of Canton says "Prepare for war."—Strike of working men at Marseilles.—Khartoum to be evacuated. England flooded with pamphlets about Egypt.

**Domestic.**—Nutt a victim of "Emotional Insanity" in shooting of Dukes; say "experts."—Rich phosphate rock found in South Carolina.—Home bill reducing pilotage fees in N. Y. Harbor passed the Assembly.—Charles Delmonio buried.—D. L. & W. R. R. settle matters with the "pool."—Vice Pres. Hayes of the Erie made Pres. of No. Pacific.—Difficulty between Dr. Newman and Madison Ave. Congregational Church.—Typotheat had a dinner at Metropolitan hotel.—Burglars burglarize extensively in Maiden Lane.—Gov. of Utah cries for rescue of his territory.—Assistant Bishop Potter outflanks Heber Newton and gets him to stop pulling the Bible to pieces.—Mr. Beecher says the Plymouth church isn't heterodox.—West Shore R. R. issues \$25,000,000 of income bonds.—National Academy of Sciences reports glucose healthy and commercially important.—New Multiple Telegraph Co. organized.

**Congress.**—Memorial of Am. Health Association, temperance petitions; lower transportation rates; improvement of Mississippi river; extirpation of pleuro-pneumonia in cattle; ship-canal around Nicaragua; postal telegraph; reduction of patent fees: 2½ per cent.; 40-cent bonds; sugar and molasses on free list; to permit ex-confeds. to serve in regular army; Mormons.

**County.**—Jan. 1: New Year's reception by Ladies' Auxiliary of Y. M. C. A., at Newark; over 3,500 calls received.—2: Police report of the City of Newark for 1883 gives number of arrests as 5,073; total number provided with lodgings 15,652; lost children restored to parents, 186.—3: Execution of Martin for murder of wife and child, and of Graves, for murder of Eddie Soden.—Oratorio of Messiah at Grand Opera House, Newark.

4: Death of ex-Prosecutor G. N. Abel.—Rev. J. R. Fisher installed Pastor of Pres. Church, South Orange.—Organization of the Orange Mountain Medical Society.—5: The Newark Morning *Advertiser* suspends its Sunday edition.—7: Two deaths in Newark; ages respectively 30 and 91.—Strike of the spinners at the Mile End Thread Works.—8: Ex-Assemblyman John Egan retracts plea of not guilty to the charge of attempt to bribe Assemblyman Arnitoff and pleads guilty.—Mayor elect Haynes of Newark sworn into office.—9: Opening of new High School building of Newark.—10: Newark police shops raided by the police; eight arrests made and a large amount of gambling paraphernalia captured.—Warden of County Jail and Penitentiary make their report to the Board of Freeholders; 333 prisoners in the former, and 11 in the latter.—Warden of Lunatic Asylum reported 346 inmates.—12: Madame Ins. Co. annual meeting reported 7 months out of 1,136 members.—14: Charles Delmonico's dead body found on Orange Mountain.—The 13th Ward, of Newark, organized an Improvement Association.—East Orange Improvement Association actively agitating matter of sewerage.—16: Will of Frank DeGress, of Bloomfield, admitted to probate.—17: Ex-Assemblyman John Egan sentenced one month County Jail and \$500 fine.

## ABOUT TOWN.

Miss Sarah E. Cooper is visiting in Morris county.

The January meeting of the Baptistery will be omitted.

During the past week revival services have been held in the Methodist Baptist churches.

The Mountain View Station, on Greenwood Lake R. R., was destroyed early on Thursday morning.

Mr. Leonard Osborne is at present in very precarious condition at his home in Montgomery, suffering from a stroke.

Since the heavy fall of snow the cars do not run above the centre, sometimes they get stuck on the center and don't run at all.

A young friend Mr. G. T. Moore gave an illustrated art lecture "in the New Y. M. C. A. rooms last Monday evening which was heartily enjoyed.

Mr. Henry Cadmus is still very ill at home. His sickness is due to nervous prostration which has affected his eyes to some extent. He is under the care of Dr. Davis.

The Trunk boys have turned their coats out into the cold, cold world.

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## The Business Outlook.

To the *Bloomfield Citizen*: Your article on "The Business Outlook" in the *Citizen* of Jan. 10th contains such conclusions as would naturally be reached by reading Bradstreet's Survey of the Business of 1883, but I desire to analyze some of their so-called facts, and mention some omissions which may possibly, if true, change your conclusions.

The firms doing business in 1873 are said to have been 348,180; those in 1883, 229,823, the difference of 280,643, is put down as the gain in 10 years. This shows an increase of nearly fifty per cent. in business firms, while our population has increased less than twenty per cent. in the same time, which seems very improbable. My explanation is that commercial agencies are fallible and therefore make mistakes, and second, that Bradstreet's agency had far greater facilities in 1883 for gathering these facts than in 1873.

To illustrate: Bradstreet's and Dun's commercial agencies are considered at the head of the class for gathering such statistics; yet one of these agencies in 1877 contained about 100,000 more business firms than the other. Again, two weeks ago, one of these agencies reported 346 failures for the week while the other reported but 286 for the same week.

Bradstreet's agency is constantly issuing circulars to business men, setting forth such methods for gaining such facts as their journal now publishes, and I am disposed to give them credit for making more progress in that direction than any other agency in existence; therefore I must conclude that their report of the number of business houses in 1873 was not as nearly correct for that date as their report for 1883. Hence, the number that is put down as the increase of business firms would be diminished in just the proportion that their report of 1873 fell short of the correct number.

Again, you mentioned the fact that the failures in 1883 were 300 less than in 1878. Why take the year 1878 for comparison? Why not the year 1877, 1879 or 1880? Let me explain. 1878 was the last year of the existence of the U. S. Bankrupt Law, and in the month over 3,000 merchants took advantage of their last chance to liquidate their indebtedness. Why not compare 1883 and its 10,299 failures with 1880 and its 4,900? They explain why an increase of about 130 per cent. in three years, or with 1881 and its 5,900, or with 1882 and its 7,600. Tell us why this steady increase.

Having now written more than I intended on your first two paragraphs, and fearing I may trespass too much on your space, I will close, leaving the remainder for a future letter, simply saying that the figures quoted further on in your article need and will admit of an explanation similar to the foregoing.

Yours, E. J. WHITEHEAD.

## H. Cass. Sutphen: A Tribute.

To the *Bloomfield Citizen*: The death on Saturday morning, last week, of Henry Cassiday Sutphen, in the 23d year of his age, has caused profound sorrow among his many acquaintances, both in business and social life. His death was so unexpected and sudden that many had not read of his sickness before they learned the worst. The funeral was largely attended at his late residence on Monday afternoon. Rev. Geo. W. Timlow, D.D., an uncle of the deceased, and Rev. Wm. G. Farrington, D.D., conducted the services. Through all his intense suffering he retained a remarkable degree of self-control, speaking calmly of his hope of meeting his many dear friends in the home beyond. His parting was one never to be forgotten.

The Newark Yacht Club presented the family with an upright floral anchor, bearing the letters, N. Y. C., and the familiar name, "Cass." A number of members of the Club were present. The firm of Quimby & Co., carriage manufacturers, of which the deceased was a member, showed their respect for his memory by presenting a floral "Gates Ajar." Several other floral tributes showed the deep sense of sorrow that existed among his friends. It is strange to us why Providence should remove one who was so genial and kind, and whose presence seemed so necessary. But what is our loss is his gain, and we sorrowfully submit.

X.

## The First of the Family to Arrive.

To the *Bloomfield Citizen*: There was a stranger in town one morning last week, evidently prospecting a residence among us this coming spring, but unable to decide whether to build in the neighborhood of blasted elms, in the burnt district, or to choose a more favorable situation toward Glen Ridge, or on Berkley Hill. Had he asked any old settler he would have been told he would doubtless be more certain of possessing his habitation in undisturbed peace and security in the first locality. Never a word said he, but as he rested a moment on the piazza of Mr. Carl's house, clad in bright blue over brown, he was a very conspicuous visitor on the last day of the old year. His name, by the way, which he carried on his overcoat, so that he who might read it proclaimed him a direct descendant of the well-known aristocratic family of Blough Bhyrddes (phonetically spelled).

D.

## To Cure Stammering.

Dr. Dio Lewis in his magazine gives a rule for the cure of stammering which is certainly simple enough, and which the doctor says has cured three-fourths of all the cases he has treated. The stammerer is made to mark the time in his speech, just as it is ordinarily done in singing. At first he is to beat on every syllable. He should begin by reading one of the Psalms, striking the finger on the knee at every word. "Time can be marked," says the doctor, "by striking the finger on the knee, by hitting the thumb against the forefinger, or by moving the large toe in the boot." The writer believes the worst case of stammering can be cured if the victim will read an hour every day, with thorough practice of this remedy, and observing the same in his conversation.

Those who attend regularly feel that they cannot afford to lose a single meeting, and if those teachers, who have not been to the meetings, could make it convenient to come twice, thereafter they would devote Wednesday evening of every week to our Normal Class. W.

## BALLOTS.

We sent the "devil" for "copy." The devil fled away. Alas, the devil has come again! And now he wants his say. For he brought himself in the manuscript. And here he seems to stay.

A woman's instinct is better than a man's reason.

"We are torn with conflicting emotions," said De Slyn's tight trousers, as they came in contact with the ice on the skating park.

Matthew Arnold complains of the high prices charged by American landlords for the "sweetness and light" dispensed in their hotels.

A little dot of a punster asked us during a recent snow storm: "What do the snow flakes come down in?" "We've it up." "Why, in the winter, of course."

Strawberries were introduced into England in 1530. Prior to that time what did long-lodged brothers do for a strawberry mark on the left arm, whereby to be identified?

A Baltimore woman, addicted to snuff, has been speechless since a protracted sneezing fit of several days.

It's sneezy matter to remark, "It snuff said."

The aged father of the late Leon Gambetta has just married his cook, aged forty-five. And still the women say that the shortest way to a man's heart is *via* his palate.

The largest diamond in America is one that has just been cut in Boston. It measures an inch in diameter. A plumber's assistant has purchased it for an every day collar button.

"Were you an eye witness to the assault?" a lawyer asked an old woman in court. "Indeed, I was the highest witness there; for I stood right by Paddy when he threw the briar."

An exchange tells of a breach of promise suit brought by Esther Nott against one Samuel Dickinson. Samuel's wife during courtship was "Forget me not," and while the fair one was making up her mind to bring suit, it was "Forget me, Nott."

"Why, yes," said Briggs, "he's a finished speaker." "Is, is, is," retorted old man Grouty, who was listening to the conversation. "Yes, I should think he was. He's so consummately finished, that he was done an' ended an' hadn't no more new ideas about twenty years ago—and that's about the size of it."

"Ma, what's a buttoner?" asked the Sharp Boy. "It's a thing for your button hole." "I know; it's a button-hook, isn't it?" Now Adolphus's brevet best girl was there in the room, and she was fixing one for Adolphus so that she might be confirmed in the appointment. She looked mad, but said nothing.

"I don't know what gets into John that makes him so cross and in such bad spirits every night when he comes home from business," said little Mrs. S. to her mother.

"Don't know what gets into him? I'll tell you then. It's the saloon keeper's bad spirits that affects him," said Mr. S.'s sweet mother-in-law. S. is entirely too sympathetic.

The Chicago Express comes to us with an article on "Woman and the Ballot," marked for our inspection. The words "Thoughtful, earnest, intelligent women are rising up everywhere, and demanding the ballot" are deeply underlined. We are proud that our modest column is attracting such attention. And if lovely woman (the condumrund that man will never give up) is demanding the ballot we are only too happy to say: Here is one for her exclusive use.

Poison was placed in the coffee swallow by eight of a family named Bird, in Texas, recently. They were supposed to have hidden in their house a large sum of golden eagles, so *robis* was probably the incentive to the crime; but as nothing valuable was found, the criminals must have been *raven* with disappointment. That gang *ortolan*-d in this State where Jersey Justice *woodcock* her eye at them so they would *quail* before her. However, the Birds are recovering, and will probably soon convince their enemies that *toucan* engage in the game of *foul play*.

If, by good luck, You see this week's *Puck*, You will find there's music to it; For that organ's cartoon Will make some soon. Perhaps that's why they do it!

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